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THE LOUISIANA FAMILIES IN NEED OF SERVICES ASSOCIATION, INC.

COMPILATION OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT ON APPLYING AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES

JUNE 30, 2000

Under provisions of state law, this report is a public document. A copy of the report has been submitted to the entity and other appropriate public officials. The report is available for public inspection at the Baton Rouge office of the Legislative Auditor and, where appropriate, at the office of the parish clerk of court.

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• FINANCIAL SECTION

CHARLES L. LACOSTE, JR CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT 8116 BURTHE STREET NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA 70118

To the Board of Directors of The Louisiana Families in Need of Services Association, Inc.

I have compiled the accompanying statement of financial position of The Louisiana Families in Need of Services Association, Inc. (a nonprofit corporation) as of June 30, 2000 and the related statements of activities and cash flows for the year then ended, in accordance with Statements on Standards for Accounting and Review Services issued by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants.

A compilation is limited to presenting in the form of financial statements information that is the representation of management. I have not audited or reviewed the accompanying financial statements and, accordingly, do not express an opinion or any other form of assurance on them.

New Orleans, Louisiana

January 24, 2001

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION June 30, 2000

ASSETS

Cash or cash equivalent Accounts receivable Computer (net of depreciation) Total assets	\$ 35,309 11,243 <u>1,994</u> <u>48,546</u>
LIABILITIES	
Accounts payable Total liabilities	<u>247</u> <u>247</u>
NET ASSETS	
Unrestricted net assets	48,299
Total net assets	48,299
Total liabilities and net assets	<u>\$ 48,546</u>

THE LOUISIANA FAMILIES IN NEED OF SERVICES ASSOCIATION, INC. STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

Year Ended June 30, 2000

UNRESTRICTED NET ASSETS

SUPPORT	
Contributions-	
Government grants	\$37,000
Foundations and civic leagues	1,000
Members' dues	4,600
Program fees	-7
Conference fees	34,760
Total	77,360
Net assets released from restrictions	25,000
Total	102,360
EXPENSES	
Executive director fees	20,283
Telephone and communications	3,215
Travel, training and conferences	2,418
Publication-newsletters	2,157
Room rentals and food for conference	14,821
Board meetings and training	2,605
Accounting	2,804
Printing	3,901
Office supplies	2,533
Postage and delivery	2,179
Copying and duplicating	2,495
Insurance	268
Software contract for FINS	25,000
Depreciation	499
Miscellaneous	2,437
Other operating services	<u>3,000</u>
Total	<u>90,615</u>
Increase in unrestricted net assets	11,745
TEMPORARILY RESTRICTED ASSETS	
Release of temporarily restricted assets	(25,000)
Decrease in net assets	(13,255)
NET ASSETS AT BEGINNING OF YEAR	61,554
NET ASSETS AT END OF YEAR	\$ 48,299

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STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

Year Ended June 30, 2000

CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES Decrease in net assets	\$ (13,255)
Adjustments to reconcile change in net assets to net cash provided by operating activities:	
Depreciation	499
(Increase)decrease in operating assets- Accounts receivable Promise to give	(7,088) 25,000
Increase(decrease) in operating liabilities- Accounts payable Deferred income Net cash provided by operating activities	39 (<u>100)</u> 5,095
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES Purchase of computer Net increase in cash	(2,493) 2,602
BEGINNING CASH	<u>32,707</u>

ENDING CASH

\$ 35,309

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

June 30, 2000

NOTE A- NATURE OF ACTIVITIES AND SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Nature of Activities

The Louisiana Families in Need of Services Association, Inc. was formed April 7, 1997 under the provisions of the Louisiana Nonprofit law. On August 11, 1998 the Internal Revenue Service recognized the Organization as a publicly supported entity exempt from income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code and is also exempt from Louisiana income tax.

The Families in Need of services (FINS) programs were created by a revision of the Louisiana Children's Code in 1991. These programs seek to halt problem behavior before it progresses to criminal behavior by intervention in troubled families. There are currently over fifty programs in the state. The Louisiana Families in Need of Services Association was formed by the FINS officers throughout the state. It seeks to support the law of FINS, to support and assist the individual programs, and to support the education of the public, the service providers, the legislature, and the courts about FINS.

The Organization has only one program, education, but many activities to accomplish that program.

Significant Accounting Policies

Promise to give- Contributions are recognized when the donor makes a promise to give the Organization that is, in substance, unconditional. Contributions that are restricted by the donor are reported as increases in unrestricted net assets if the restrictions expire in the fiscal year in which the contributions are recognized. All other donor-restricted contributions are reported as increases in temporarily or permanently restricted net assets depending on the nature of the restrictions. When a restriction expires temporarily restricted net assets are reclassified to unrestricted net assets.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

June 30, 2000

<u>Contributed Services</u>— The Organization received valuable services from its dedicated volunteers. However, these services are not recognized as revenue as they do not create nonfinancial assets nor are they specialized services as described in SFAS No. 116.

<u>Functional Expenses</u>- The Organization does not consider itself a voluntary health and welfare organization and therefore does not present a statement of functional expenses.

<u>Property and Equipment</u>- Donations of property and equipment are recorded as support at their estimated fair value. Such assets are recorded as unrestricted support unless the donor imposes a restriction. If such restriction exists the support is recorded in accord with the nature of the restriction. Property and equipment purchases having a value of less than \$500 are not recorded as an asset. All other property and equipment is depreciated using the straight line method.

Income Taxes- The Organization is a nonprofit corporation that is exempt from both Federal and Louisiana income taxes under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code and R.S. 12:201 of Louisiana law.

Cash and cash equivalents- The Organization considers all funds in bank accounts, money market accounts, or certificates of deposit with a maturity of one year or less, as cash or its equivalent.

Financial Statement Presentation- The Organization has adopted Statement of Financial Accounting Standard (SFAS) No. 117, "Financial Statements of Notfor-Profits Organizations". Under SFAS No. 117, the Organization is required to report information regarding its financial position and activities according to three classes of net assets: unrestricted net assets, temporarily restricted net assets, and permanently restricted net assets (if each is applicable). In addition, the Organization is required to present a statement of cash flows.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

June 30, 2000

Contributions- The Organization also adopted SFAS No. 116, "Accounting for Contributions Received and Contributions Made". In accordance with SFAS No. 116, contributions received are recorded as unrestricted, temporarily restricted, or permanently restricted support depending on the existence and/or nature of any donor restrictions.

Estimates- The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosures of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenue and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

NOTE B- ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

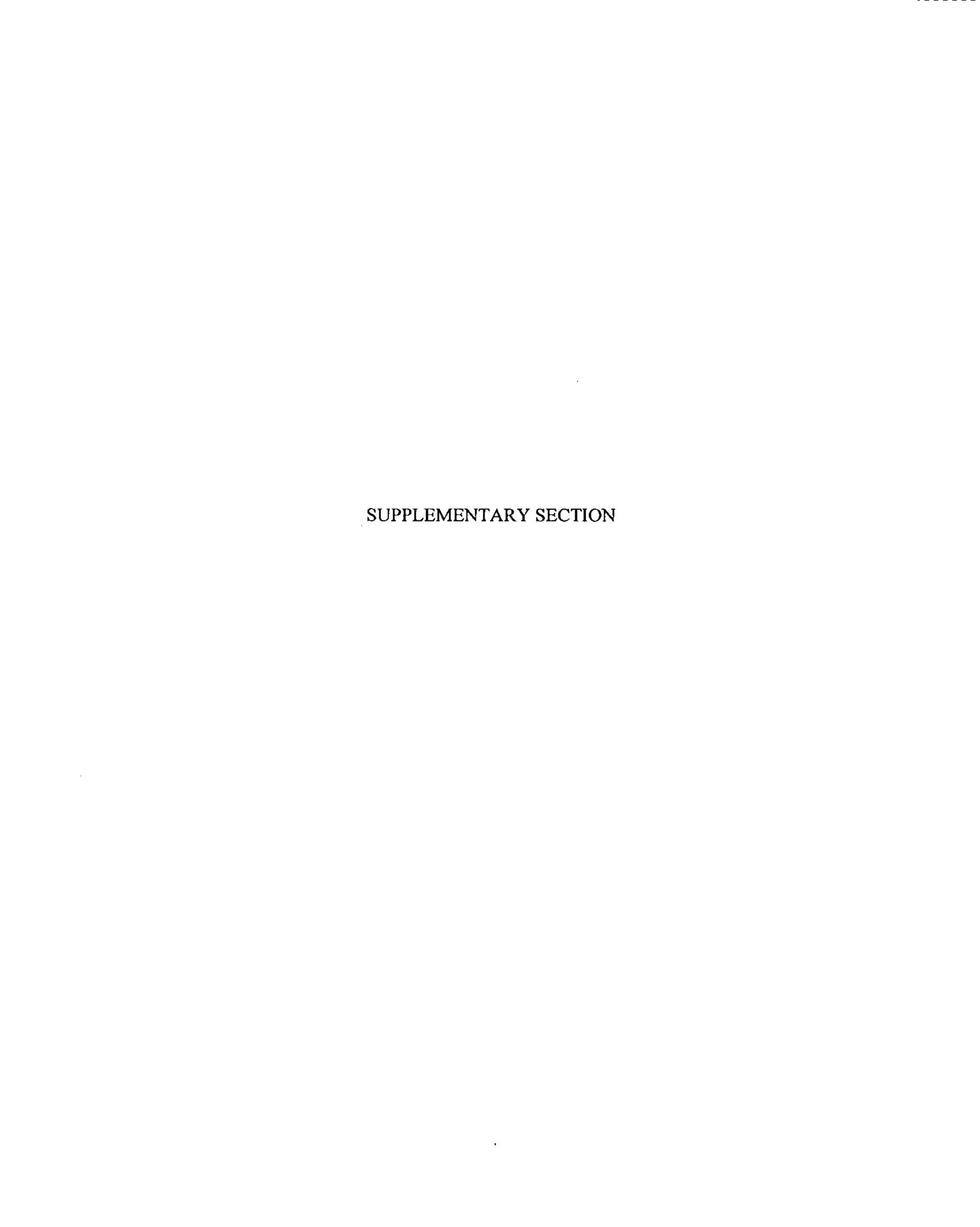
Accounts receivable, materially, represent receivables under government funded grants. Due to the nature of the receivable no allowance for uncollectibles is deemed necessary.

NOTE C- COMPUTERS

Cost	\$2,493
Accumulated depreciation	<u>499</u>
Net	\$1,994

NOTE D - FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH STATE LAW

Louisiana state law requires the Organization to submit its financial statements within six months of the fiscal year end. This was not accomplished and represents a material noncompliance with state law and contract and award provisions.



CHARLES L. LACOSTE, JR. CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT 8116 BURTHE STREET NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA 70118

INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT

To the board of Directors
The Families in Need of
Services Association, Inc.

I have performed the procedures included in the Louisiana Government Audit Guide and enumerated below, which were agreed to by the management of The Louisiana Families in Need of Services Association, Inc., the Legislative Auditor, State of Louisiana, and applicable state grantor agency/agencies solely to assist the users in evaluating management's assertions about The Louisiana Families in Need of Services Association, Inc.'s compliance with certain laws and regulations during the year ended June 30, 2000 included in the accompanying Louisiana Attestation Questionnaire. This agreed-upon procedures engagement was performed in accordance with standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. The sufficiency of these procedures is solely the responsibility of the specified users of the report. Consequently, I make no representation regarding the sufficiency of the procedures described below for the purpose for which this report has been requested or for any other purpose.

Federal, State and Local Awards

1. Determine the amount of Federal, State and Local award expenditures for the fiscal year and by grant year.

The Louisiana Families in Need of Services Association, Inc. award expenditures for all programs for the fiscal year follow:

GRANT NAME	GRANT PERIOD	<u>CFDA NO.</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
State of Louisiana:			
OCS/Children's Trust	7/1/99-6/30/00	CFMS-548947	\$ 12,000
ocs	7/1/99-6/30/00	CFMS-555318	5,000
Supreme Court	7/1/99-6/30/00		<u>45,000</u>
Total expend	itures		<u>\$ 62,000</u>

- 2. For each Federal, State and Local award, I randomly selected 6 disbursements from each award administered during the period under examination, provided that no more than 30 disbursements would be selected.
- 3. For the items selected in procedure 2, I traced the 6 disbursements to supporting documentation as to proper amount and payee

I examined supporting documentation for each of the selected disbursements and found that payment was for the proper amount and made to the correct payee.

4. For the items selected in procedure 2, I determined if the disbursements selected were properly coded to the correct program and general ledger account.

All payments were properly coded to the correct program and general ledger account.

5. For the items selected in procedure 2, I determined whether the disbursements selected received proper approval.

All payments were approved by the proper authority.

6. For the items selected in procedure 2, for Federal awards (in this case, pass-throughs), I determined whether the disbursements complied with the applicable specific program compliance requirements summarized in the Compliance Supplement (or contained in the grant agreement, if the program is not included in the Compliance Supplement) and for state and local awards, I determined whether the disbursements complied with the grant agreement, relating to:

Activities allowed or unallowed:

I reviewed the disbursements selected in procedure 2 for types of services allowed or not allowed. All disbursements met the criteria for allowability.

Eligibility

I reviewed the disbursements selected in procedure 2 for eligibility requirements. All disbursements met the criteria for eligibility.

Reporting

I reviewed the disbursements selected in Procedure 2 for reporting requirements. All disbursements met the criteria for reporting.

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7. For the programs selected for testing in procedure 2 that had been closed out during the period under review, I compared the close-out report, when required, with the organization's financial records to determine whether the amounts agree.

Two programs were closed. the "close-out reports" agree with the Organization's financial records.

MEETINGS

8. I examined evidence indicating that agendas for meetings recorded in the minute were posted as an open meeting as required by LSA-RS 42:1-42:12 (the open meetings law).

The organization did not meet the requirement to hold an open meeting at any time within the period under review.

COMPREHENSIVE BUDGET

9. For all grants exceeding \$5,000, I determined that each applicable Federal, State, or Local grantor agency/agencies was provided with a comprehensive budget of those grants that included the purpose and duration, and for state grants included specific goals and objectives and measures of performance.

The Organization provided comprehensive budgets to the applicable state grantor agencies for the programs previously mentioned. These budgets specified the anticipated uses of the funds, estimates of the duration of the project (where applicable) and plans showing specific goals and objectives that included measures of performance.

PRIOR COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

10. I reviewed any prior-year suggestions, recommendations, and/or comments to determine the extent to which such matter have been resolved.

There were no prior-year suggestions, recommendations or comments.

I was not engaged to, and did not, perform an examination, the objective of which would be the expression of an opinion on management's assertions. Accordingly, I do not express such an opinion. Had I performed additional procedures, other matters might have come to my attention that would have been reported to you. This report is intended solely for the use of management of The Louisiana Families in Need of Services Association, Inc., the Legislative Auditor (State of Louisiana), and the applicable state grantor agency/agencies and should not be used by those who have not agreed to the procedures and taken responsibility for the sufficiency of the procedures for their purposes. However, this report is a matter of public record and its distribution is not limited.

Kew Orleans, Louisiana

January 24, 2001

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

- 1) The Organization did not properly maintain its primary records. They were not able to produce some of the bank statements and cancelled checks and relied on copies.
- 2.) The bank statements have not been properly reconciled.
- Due to the situation in finding #1, the records were not available for the special procedures and attestation to take place in a timely manner.
- One instance of failure to pay use tax was observed in the process of testing the disbursements. The computer purchase of \$2,493 is subject to state and parish use taxes which were not paid.

CHARLES L. LACOSTE, JR. CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT 8116 BURTHE STREET NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA 70118

January 24, 2001

To the Board of Directors and Senior Management of Louisiana Families in Need of Services Association, Inc.

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In performing my compilation and attest functions for the financial statements of Louisiana Families in Need of Services Association, Inc. as of and for the year ended June 30, 2000, I became aware of certain deficiencies in internal control and basic bookkeeping procedures.

The bank statements and cancelled checks for some of the periods were not available and could not be found. Therefore we had to rely on copies to perform the agreed-upon-procedures. It also became apparent that proper bank reconcilations had not been performed. I have suggested that the bank statements be mailed to the office of the association and that the bank reconciliations be mailed to the treasurer along with a copy of the bank statement.

Furthermore, I found one instance of use tax not being paid by the organization. This was in the case of the computer purchase. Nonprofit organizations, except for schools, are not exempt from the payment of sales and use taxes. I recommend that use taxes be paid on all purchases subject to such tax. This will usually be on out of state purchases.

I have not performed either an evaluation of internal control or any other procedures which would enable me to express an opinion on the system of internal control, and therefore, I do not express any opinion.

Charles L. Lacoste, J

Sincerely

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Louisiana Families In Need of Services Association

February 1, 2001

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Dr. Jacqueline Mims

Dr. Daniel Kyle, CPA, CFE

1600 North Third Street

Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804

Dear Dr. Kyle:

This letter will serve as our plan of corrective action. The Organization is consolidating its bookkeeping functions in the Baton Rouge office. We will have all back records mailed to that office and proper bank reconciliations will be done monthly.

We will monitor purchasing to insure that all use taxes are paid appropriately.

Sincerely,

Dr. Jacqueline Mims,

Executive Director